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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995	Application Number	10/796,691
	Filing Date	March 8, 2004
	First Named Inventor	Marc Bellotti
	Group Art Unit	1653
	Examiner Name	Robert B. Mondesi
	Attorney Docket Number	13131-0331 (44378-293531)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. **NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may file a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**
- ☒ Enclosed
- a. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- b. ☒ Declaration of Hassibullah Akeefe with Exhibits A-D
- c. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- 2. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ Payment by credit card for the following fees:
- i. ☒ RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e), REQUIRED when filing the RCE.
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17.
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

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